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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

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Development Department.

G.O. Ms. 5223. Dated 21-10-1948.

Read:

G.O. Ms. No.4030, Dev. dated 16-10-43.
From the D.A. No.E1.854/48 dated 30-8-48.

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ORDER:

His Excellency the Governor of Madras approves the proposal of the Director of Agriculture for the continuance of the scheme for production and distribution of hybrid cumbu seed at the millet breeding station, Coimbatore sanctioned in the G.O read above for a period of one year from 20.3.49 at a cost not exceeding Rs.29,654 (Rupees twentynine thousand and six hundred fifty four only) as detailed in the Annexure to this order.

2. Sanction is accorded to the continuance of the following staff employed in the scheme for a period of one year from 20-3-1949.

(1) One Asst. Mellet Specialist on Rs.230-700 p.m
(2) Four Assts. on Rs.100-220 p.m.
(3) Five Fieldmen on Rs.45-60 p.m.
(4) One peon on Rs.16-25 p.m.

Sanction is also accorded to the employment of an additional peon for one year from 20-3-49.

4. The expenditure should be debited 40. g. agriculture-Agricultural Experiments and Research".

5. The Director of Agriculture is requested to submit a report on the working of the scheme before the completion of the scheme.

(By Order of His Excellency the Governor)

Sd.
Secretaryto Government.

To the Director of Agriculture.
To the Accountant General. thro' Fin.
Copy to the I.C.A.A. New Delhi.

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ANNEXURE.

1.	Pay of Officer	Rs.2,760
2.	Dearness Allowance	552
2.	Pay of establishment	8,204
	Dearness Allowance	2,994
3.	Travelling allowance and Compensatory House Rent allowance	2,144
4.	Dead stock	500
5.	Miscellaneous charges	12,000
6.	Other contingencies	500
	Total...	29 ,654

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DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

SUMMARISING NOTE.

The June 1946, the Director of Agriculture submitted a scheme for the production and distribution of hybrid cumbu seed for a period of five years. The scheme consists of two parts. The first part of the scheme is designed to investigate at the Millet Breeding Station, Coimbatore, the possibilities of making all of hybrid vigour in improving the cumbu yields by choosing a set of parents that will enable to produce when crossed the maximum manifestation of hybrid vigour in point of grain yield in F1 plants. The second part of the scheme relates to the multiplication on a large scale the hybrid cumbu seed so selected.

2. In G.O. Ms. 4030 Dev., dated 16-10-45 the Government approved the first part of the scheme and sanctioned the necessary staff for a per iod of three years. The scheme was commenced on 20th March 1046, and the existing sanction would expire by 19-3-1949. In august 1947, this Government forwarded proposals to the I.C.A.R., for sanctioning the second part of the scheme which was proposed to be started from 20-3-49 the date on which the sanction for the first part of the scheme expires. The I.C.A.R. called for certain data before sanctioning the scheme and they were furnished to the council. The Sanction of the I.C.A.R to the second part of the scheme is awaited.

3. The Director of Agriculture now states that there was a set back in the district trails on the performance of the hybrid seed for the reason that the seasons failed during the years 1946 and 1947 and there was restricted water supply at the millet Breeding station, Coimbatore. It is stated that production of hybrid seeds in sufficient quantities for trail in regional centres and the production of the parent seed for producing the required hybrids could not be completed during the last two years at the millet Breeding station. The Director of Agriculture now proposes that the first part of the scheme may be extended for one more year from 20-3-49, and states that the second part of the scheme for which the sanction of the I.C.A.R. is awaited may be taken up in 1950-51 instead of from 20-3-1949 as already proposed.

4. The following staff are proposed to be continued.

1. One Asst. Millet Specialist on Rs.230-700 p.m
2. Five Fieldmen on Rs.45-60 pm
3. Four Assts. on Rs.100-220 pm
4. Two Peons on Rs.16-35 p.m.

Compared to the staff already working in the scheme an extra peon has been proposed. As the assistant millet Speicalist is a touring Gazetted Officer, the proposal of the Director of Agriculture for the employment of an additional peon has been accepted in this Department and Finance Department.

5. The total expenditure on the continuance of the scheme for a period of one year from 20-3-1949 is estimated at Rs.29,654. This Department and Finance Department have accepted the proposal of the Director of Agriculture. A draft order is submitted. H.M.(Agri) and H.M.(Fin) may see before issue.

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